

A.—Sri M. V. RAMA RAO (Minister for Home and Labour).—

(a) No.

(b) No. But local bodies in Malnad taluks may acquire the portable Engine for Fire Fighting which has been developed.

Government Pleaders and Public Prosecutors

41. Sri S. S. ARAKERI (Ballolli).—

Will the Minister for Law and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state :—

(a) whether applications are invited for the post of Government Pleaders and Public Prosecutors in Bangalore District ;

(b) whether any posts were earmarked for Scheduled Caste candidates ;

(c) the number of persons applied for the said post ;

(d) whether Scheduled Caste candidates applied for the said posts and if so, the number of persons and the years of practice ;

(e) whether they were not qualified for the above post ;

(f) whether the policy of reservation of 18 per cent for Scheduled Castes has been observed in this case ?

A.—Sri S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Law and Parliamentary Affairs).—

(a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) 31 persons applied for the post of Government Pleader and 16 persons for the post of Public Prosecutor.

(d) Two persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes had applied for the post of Government Pleader. One had put in 15 years and another had put in 16 years of practice at the Bar.

No Scheduled Caste candidate applied for the post of Public Prosecutor.

(e) They were qualified.

(f) No. Government Order No. GAD 117 SSR 62 dated 16th September 1963 regarding reservation of posts under the State Government service is not applicable to these appointments.

Development of Central Pharmacy at Bangalore

42. Sri C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Minister for Health and Housing be pleased to state :—

(a) the machineries purchased for the development of Central Pharmacy at Bangalore ;

(b) the number of staff in the Central Pharmacy, Bangalore ?